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E. O. 11652: ADS: DECLASSIFY 30 JUNE 1973

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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE PRG/ JMC DEPLOYMENT

1. MG NGUYEN VINH NGHI, IV CORPS COMMANDER, TOLD A CONSULATE
GENERAL OFFICER MAY 12 THAT SAIGON HAD NOTIFIED NGHI TO EXPECT
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PRG DEPLOYMENT TO JMC SITES SOMETIME IN JUNE. NGHI SAID THAT THE TWO SIDES HAD AGREED ON NUMBERS-- 56 AT REGION AND 25 AT SUB- REGION SITES. NGHI DID NOT SAY WHERE THE SUB- REGION SITES WOULD BE NOR WOULD HE BE DRAWN OUT ON PRG FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT, EXCEPT TO SAY THAT PRG PERSONNEL MAY ONLY TRAVEL WITH GVN/ JMC PERSONNEL. NGHI SAID THE OTHER CORPS COMMANDERS HAVE RECEIVED SIMILAR INSTRUCTIONS.

2. AN ARVN COLONEL FROM JMC SAIGON VISITED THE JMC SUB- REGIONAL SITES LAST WEEK AND INSPECTED PRG DESIGNATED QUARTERS. IN VI THANH HE REPORTEDLY CHOSE THE COMPOUND WHICH HOUSES THE REMAINING US REPRESENTATIVE IN CHUONG THIEN. THE SITE, THE FORMER AMERICAN PROVINCE TEAM COMPOUND ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE ICCS, IS INFINITELY MORE LIVABLE THAN THE PRG/ DRV FPJMC QUARTERS SELECTED IN FEBRUARY. THOSE QUARTERS WERE MEAGER, SPARSELY- APPOINTED BUILDINGS LOCATED OUTSIDE THE TOWN IN AN OPEN FIELD.

3. THE CANADIAN ICCS TEAM IN SOC TRANG REPORTED TO ITS REGION VII HEADQUARTERS THAT THE GVN/ JMC IS LOOKING FOR BETTER QUARTERS FOR THE PRG IN SOC TRANG.

4. COL NGUYEN TIEN LOC, 21 ST ARVN DIVISION CHIEF OF STAFF, HAS BEEN NAMED NEW GVN CHIEF REGION VII JMC DELEGATE. LOC IS A RESPECTED AND EFFECTIVE OFFICER.

5. COMMENT: LOC, S APPOINTMENT MAY SIGNAL A GVN DECCSION TO TRY HARDER WITH THE TPJMC THAN IT DID WITH THE FPJMC. THE PRG QUARTERS UPGRADING PERHAPS AUGURS A MORE FORTHCOMING GVN ATTITUDE ON PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES. SIGNED WISNER
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